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Serial No.

Letter No. T.R.C. 1113/47-48 dated the 15th Sept 1947 from the Director of Food Supplies in Mysore, Bangalore, requesting in the circumstances explained sanction for the purchase of atleast 275 tyres & 275 tubes for the lorries of the Food Department.

Submitted.

The D.F.S states, that owing to wear & tear, the tyres & tubes of the lorries of the Food Department are fast becoming unserviceable, & the total immediate requirement in all will be 275 tyres & 275 tubes.

It is further reported that there will be a shortage of tyres & tubes for about four to five months, in view of the uncertain supply position to the firms dealing in tyres & tubes on account of strikes, transport difficulties & increase in Commercial lorries.

In the circumstances, the D.F.S is of opinion that instead of delaying it would be better to purchase as many tyres & tubes as could be procured from the leading firms & keep them in stock. He has accordingly issued Orders for the supply of 50 tyres & 50 tubes.

It is for orders whether the proposal of the D.F.S to purchase atleast 275 tyres & 275 tubes at a total cost of Rs 46,200/- through four different firms may be sanctioned with JE concurrence.

The proposal of the DFS may in the circumstances stated by him be approved with JE Concurrence.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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OFFICE OF THE
DIRECTOR OF FOOD SUPPLIES
IN MYSORE,

No. TRC.1113/47-48.
ENCLS. 11 Sheets

Bangalore, dated 15th Septr., *1947*.

FROM

K. Guru Dutt, Esq., B.A.,
Director of Food Supplies
in Mysore, Bangalore.

SECRETARY
16 SEP 1947
FOOD & CIVIL SUPPLIES

To

A.S.Khaleel, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to Government, Food & Civil
Supplies Department, Bangalore

SIR,

Subject:- Tyres and tubes to Government Food lorries working in Districts.

I have the honour to state that the Deputy Commissioners of Districts are often asking for the supply of new tyres and tubes for lorries of the Food Department working in their Districts on the ground that the present tyres are now approaching a stage of unserviceability due to wear and tear and that they have done sufficient mileages.

The total number of tyres required amounts to 125 at present for the Districts of Mysore, Bangalore, Mandya, Hassan and Tumkur. The other Deputy Commissioners have not furnished their requirements.

In addition to the above, tyres and tubes on the running lorries in the custody of the Transport Officer, Food Supplies Department are also reported to be in need of replacements which comes to 150 in all. It is seen from the above that in all 275 tyres and tubes will be required immediately.

The Additional Director (Transport) has carried on a good deal of correspondence in the matter with firms dealing with tyres and tubes. It is ascertained that there is likely to be a shortage for tyres and tubes for about four to five months more and it is therefore considered very desirable to purchase and preserve as many tyres and tubes as possible for our lorries now to the extent they are available.

For a considerable time past now, it has been found that the difficulty in obtaining Giant class tyres and tubes has been on the increase. This is due to strikes in (1) the Rubber Tyre - Factories, (2) difficulty of transport and (3) increase in the number of commercial lorries in actual operation all over India. Mr.R.N.Mirza has been in constant touch with the four leading Rubber Tyre Companies viz., Messrs. The Dunlop Rubber Company(India) Ltd., Madras; India Tyres and Rubber Company, Madras; Goodyear Tyre and Rubber Co.(India), Ltd., Bombay. He has also had talks with the Bangalore Representatives of these firms and it has been - explained to the firms that we do not wish to burden only one firm with our demand and that we will do everything possible to distribute our requirements between the four firms. I enclose copies of some of the letters to show what has been done.

The Regional Controller of Railway Priorities in Bombay has also promised his co-operation in the matter of giving priority for Rubber tyre transport. It is not possible to predict how long - the situation viz., difficulty in procuring giant tyres will last and we have been advised by the firms to purchase as many as required - now instead of delaying the matter unduly long because the supply is not uniform and steady.

Copies of the requisitions so far received from the Deputy Commissioners mentioned above are herewith enclosed together with a copy of the note by the Addl. Director (Transport), in the matter for reference.

In the circumstances mentioned, I request sanction of Government for the purchase of atleast 275 tyres and 275 tubes for our lorries at a total cost of 275 x Rs.152 plus 275 x Rs.16 = Rs.46,200/- (the actual prices being Rs.151-14-0 a tyre and Rs.15-9-0 a tube).

As our requirements for our lorries are very urgent, in anticipation of kind approval of Government, I am issuing orders with the firms to earmark for the Food Supply Department 50 tyres and 50 tubes and supply them as soon as procurable.

I shall feel much obliged if early favourable orders of Government are obtained.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your most obedient servant,

NJ/3.

DIRECTOR OF FOOD SUPPLIES.

Note by Mr. R.N. Mirza regarding the position concerning the Giant Tyres.

For some time past this office has been having correspondence with the B.F.S.T. Co., the Firestone Rubber & Tyre Co., the Regional Controller of Railway Priorities Bombay etc., about the supply of Giant Tyres. There has been some difficulty and the undersigned has been doing his best to help the B.F.S. & T.Co., and ourselves.

On Saturday the 23rd I went to the Office of the Firestone and Mr. Mani the Manager, told me that the B.F.S & T Co., could buy as many giant Tyres as they like from their agents in Narasimharaja Road, provided that the B.F. S & T.Co., were prepared to pay the retail price and not trouble the Food Supply Deptt. to obtain the Tyres at the cheaper Govt. rates. Subsequently I phoned up the B.F.S.T Office and they said that they were quite prepared to pay the retail price, but that whenever they went to the retail shops they were told that the stock had been exhausted. I asked Mr. Babu of the B.F.S.T. Co., and Mr. Srinivasa Reddy to meet me on the morning of Monday the 25th and that I would go with them to the four important Rubber Tyre Companies who had their District Branch Offices in Bangalore.

On Monday the 25th I took Mr. Srinivasa Reddy and Mr. Babu to see Mr. Mani of the Firestone Co. Mr. Srinivasa Reddy and Mr. Babu assured Mr. Mani that they were quite prepared to pay the retail price naturally remembering Mr. Mani's words on Saturday I said that we would proceed to the Agents of Firestone Co., in Narasimharaja Road, Bangalore viz. (1) The Bangalore Stores, (2) Messrs. The Reliable Motor Stores, (3) Rajalaxmi Narayana Setty's Depot. To my surprice Mr. Mani said that he had made enquiries and that they were no stocks". As it happened I knew that Mr. Mani had about 25 Tyres still in his office and so I said that he should hand over the 25 Tyres (through his dealers) to the B.F.S.T Co. After some conversation he agreed to do so. I instructed Messrs. Babu and Srinivasa Reddy to go to Mr. Mani on Tuesday monning and take Delivery of the Tyres and pay cash at retail rates.

I informed Mr. Mani that we wanted Tyres also for the Deputy Commissioners and the lorries under our direct control. Mr. Mani said that very often some Deputy Commissioner's lorry would come along and ask for Giant Tyres all of a sudden and of course he could not comply. Could some better arrangements be made? I informed him that we would write to the Deputy Commissioners on that point. As a matter of fact we are on the point of issueing a letter to the Deputy Commissioners enquiring how many giant Tyres they want and to exactly mention the registered engraved number on the Tyres which have to be replaced. I also told Mr. Mani that I had no desire to put all the burden on the Firestone Co., because after all the Co., has its customers to satisfy apart from us. I mentioned this to him because he said that now we were coming to him to buy tyres while formerly we went to Messrs. Dunlop Co., Later on I went to the Dunlop Co. and it was rather amusing to hear them making the same remark about our patronising Messrs. Firestone by formerly and now going to Dunlop Co.

After leaving the Firestone Co., we three went and saw the Branch Manager of (1) Messrs. Dunlop Rubber and Tyre Co., Hospital Road (2) Messrs. Goodyear Rubber and Tyre Co. Central Street (3) Messrs. Beardsell & Co., ('India Super) Cash Bazar Buildings Bangalore.

p.t.o.

They have all asked us to address their Head Offices and bring the name of the Food Supply Department on the lists so that the Branch Offices can look after our interest.

We shall be addressing the firms and the Government shortly.

I understand from the B.F;S & T.Co., that they went to see Mr. Mani and obtain d 24 giant Tyres on Tuesday paying the retail prices. Mr. M.R. Pillai of the Goodyear Tyre & Rubber Co.

On the 26th Mr. Pillai kindly called on me. We(viz. Mr. Kareem, Mr. P.N. Krishnaswamy and I) had a talk with him and explained to him that we wish to distribute our wants among the four Companies.

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For Director of Food Supplies

Letter No.PG.178-C/-, dated 4th August 1947, from the Regional Controller of Railway Priorities, Bombay, to Messrs.Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.of India, Ltd.1A, Sydney Road, P.O.Box 50, Bangalore Cantt, and copy to the Additional Director of Transport, Food Supplies Department, Bangalore.

Re:- MOVEMENT OF TYRES.

Ref:- Your letter No.BA:ADM: 471:47 of 1-8-1947.

This is the first I have heard about any difficulty in the movement of tyres from Bombay to Bangalore. As you may be aware, I have accorded to Tyre and Rubber Companies in Bombay the facility of moving tyres under whatever priority is receiving movement.

2. There has been a certain amount of difficulty in movement through the junction of Ghorpuri(Poona) where the transhipment from G.I.P.Broad Gauge to M.& S.M. Metre Gauge takes place. But there is no reason why there should have been no movement at all since May 12th as stated by you. Had I been referred to previously, I could have arranged with the Railways to accept this traffic via the dearer route by all-broad gauge. I now await details of movements required by your Head Office in Bombay when I will arrange accordingly.

"C O P Y".

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Date of issue 1st October 1947.

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Signed by .....

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May this be—

(i) printed ?

(ii) treated as a standing order ?

(iii) published in the Gazette, English Part ?

(iv) translated ?

(v) placed at the disposal of the press ?

(vi) published in the Gazette, Kannada Part ?

Order thereon—No. SD 2457-57 Sanctioned.

Sec'y to Govt

Food Dept 6/10/47

To the D.F.S with the Connected records

Completion this F.D.

Copy to the A.V.A.O. Food Supplies

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ORDER No.SD.2454-56 /A.61-47-2

Bangalore, dated 1st October 1947.

S A N C T I O N E D.

Secretary to Government,
Food Department.

To

The Director of Food Supplies in Mysore (with the connected records).
" Comptroller to Government. } Thro' the
" Auditor and Accounting Officer, Food Supplies. } Financial Department.

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